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☒ The listed references were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.

☐ Pursuant to the Official Gazette Notice of August 5, 2003 the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication is waived for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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- ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement for reference(s) under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
- ☐ the explanation provided on the attached sheet.
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  - ☐ submission of the enclosed International Search Report.
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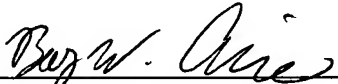
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- [x] PTO-1449 Form, Total Pages: 1;
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